



Puget Sound Regional Council

Freight Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Date: August 09, 2023, 9:30a.m. – 11:00a.m.

Location: Remote – Online Meeting Only (Zoom Meeting)

Welcome and Introductions

Geri Poor, Chair, welcomed everyone at 9:30 a.m. Roll call was completed to confirm the members and alternates present.

Action: Approval of Meeting Summary

The June 14, 2022, meeting summary was approved as presented.

Discussion: Discussion: PSRC Travel Models

Craig Helmann, PSRC, provided an overview of PSRC's travel demand models, including the truck model component of the activity-based demand model, and facilitated committee discussion on freight modeling. Discussion included model data sources including ATRI, INRIX, and local truck counts; the use of Port and warehouse special generators; truck sizes evaluated; and land use assumptions applied to support freight travel analysis. Craig clarified that freight truck forecasts are primarily count based and not directly based on commodity flow forecasts, but through work with our Port partners can be influenced by port truck data that reflects their own commodity flow forecasts. Finally, the group discussed how PSRC's models can potentially be applied to evaluate specific land use or transportation projects with freight transportation impacts; typically, PSRC provides the regional model data to a project team that uses that as the starting point for their more detailed modeling to test specific projects or scenarios. As follow-up to the day's discussion, prior to the next model update PSRC will provide information on the locations of freight special generators and truck counts and invite feedback from the committee.

For more information, contact Craig Helmann at chelmann@psrc.org

Discussion: PSRC Freight Inventory and Data Collection

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, provided an overview of the freight assets inventory update that will be initiated this fall and will support the next Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) that will be adopted in 2026. The current inventory data includes freight assets such as Freight & Goods Transportation System (FGTS) designated facilities, railway, port, intermodal facilities, and land use, demographic, and infrastructure data that can help inform freight transportation analysis. Items of interest identified by the committee included congestion along freight routes and truck parking. Wenjuan Zhao, WSDOT, shared with the committee that the statewide [Freight System Plan](#) has a truck parking element that includes an inventory and hotspot analysis, and other freight data sources such as a Commodities Flow Dashboard. At the next meeting, PSRC staff will present a summary of the freight inventory data previously collected and ask the committee to provide input on whether there are other types of data or sources that could or should be considered in the update.

For more information, contact Jennifer Barnes at jbarnes@psrc.org

Discussion: Other Business and Announcements

Wenjuan Zhao, WSDOT, provide a status update on the FGTS update, which is due to be completed by December 2023. Cecile Malik, Auburn, asked the group about a solicitation from an advocacy group opposing a federal bill (HR3372) that would pilot test raising truck weight limits. Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, and Geri Poor, Port of Seattle, will check with their agencies' government relations staff to check for information about the status/likelihood of the bill.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:50 a.m.

***Members and Alternates Present**

See attached attendance roster for the member or alternate representing each agency/jurisdiction at the meeting; additional alternate(s) present are listed below.

***Alternates, Interested Parties, and PSRC Staff Present**

Jeff DeVere, Washington Trucking Association; Adam Leslie, City of Tacoma; Laura Gurley, Port of Everett

PSRC

Jennifer Barnes, Alexa Leach, Mitch Koch, Craig Helmann, Suzanne Childress, Kalon Thomas

**All attendees were present via remote participation*

Freight Advisory Committee Attendance Roster

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NOTE: Members are invited to sit at the table and vote. Alternates may sit at the table and vote when the member is absent. Please coordinate representation in advance of the meeting.

Jurisdictions		Name	Jurisdiction		Name
Counties			Industrial Sub Areas		
King County (1)		John Vander Sluis	Arlington - Marysville (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jim Kelly, Arlington
		<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>			<i>Ryan Morrison, Arlington(Alt.)</i>
Kitsap County (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Forte	Dupont - Gray Field (1)		VACANT
		<i>Melissa Mohr (Alternate)</i>			<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
Pierce County (1)		Clint Ritter	Frederickson - Lakewood (1)		Paul Bucich, Lakewood
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Peter Lewis-Miller (Alt.)</i>			<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
Snohomish County (1)		Jim Young	Interbay - Ship Canal (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chris Eaves, Seattle
		<i>Sheela George (Alt.)</i>			<i>Joanna Valencia, Seattle (Alt.)</i>
Ports			North-Central Everett (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jesse Hannahs, Marysville
Port of Bremerton (1)		Arne Bakker			<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
		<i>James Goodman (Alt.)</i>	PSIC - Bremerton - Sinclair Inlet (1)		Vicki Grover, Bremerton
Port of Everett (1)		Adam LeMieux			<i>Shane Weber, Bremerton (Alt.)</i>
		<i>David Simpson (Alt.)</i>	SeaTac - Des Moines (1)		Florendo Cabudol, SeaTac
Port of Seattle (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Geri Poor, Chair			<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Kyra Lise (Alt.)</i>	Auburn - Sumner (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cecile Malik, Auburn
Port of Tacoma (1)		Christine Wolf			Michael Kosa, Sumner
		<i>Alisha Pena (Alt.)</i>			<i>Ryan Windish, Sumner (Alt.)</i>
WSDOT (1)					<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
		Jason Beloso	Duwamish - North Tukwila (2)		VACANT
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Wenjuan Zhao (Alt.)</i>			VACANT
Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board (FMSIB) (1)					<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
		VACANT			<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>	I-405 Corridor (2)		VACANT
Tribal Agencies					VACANT
Muckleshoot Indian Tribe (1)		VACANT			<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>			<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
Puyallup Tribe (1)		VACANT	Kent - Renton (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Paine, Kent
		<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>			VACANT
Suquamish Tribe (1)		VACANT			<i>Rob Brown, Kent (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>			<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
Tulalip Tribe (1)		VACANT	South Everett (2)		VACANT
		<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>			VACANT
					<i>Tom Hood, Everett (Alt.)</i>
					<i>Vacant (Alt.)</i>
			Tacoma - Puyallup (2)		Dana Brown, Tacoma
					Hans Hunger, Puyallup
					<i>Greg Vigoren, Fife (Alt.)</i>
					<i>Jeremy Metzler, Edgewood (Alt.)</i>
			Non-Voting (5)		
					Denise Plumb, United Parcel Service (UPS)
					Eric Jessup, WSU, Freight Policy Transportation Institute
					Jared Faker, Intl. Longshore and Warehouse Union #23
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